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Real Courage

READ 2 CORINTHIANS 6:1-10

Bible Thought: *"I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me"* (Philippians 4:13).

RECENTLY a friend shared the following quote with me: "Courage is fear that has said its prayers." We all live with fear. We live with confusion and disappointment. Sometimes life is so frustrating that we dread the future. We are afraid of failure. The honest Christian does not deny his fear. But neither do we deny Christ's strength!

We have courage which is not our own. Christ has overcome fear! Our faith in Christ enables us to face reality courageously! God provides the strength! just as a child walks courageously into a storm, while holding his father's hand, so we can live courageously today if we hold on to God for strength.

Paul Tournier wrote, "The adventurous life is not one exempt from fear, but on the contrary one that is lived in full knowledge of fears of all kinds, one in which we go forward in spite of our fears." It is God who gives us grace to persevere, new courage to go on. His love can dispel our clouds of fear and give us joy.

William Cowper said that his answer was the answer he learned at his mother's knee: "All is of God that is, and is to be; and God is good."

Hymn: "Father, Hear the Prayer We Offer."

Father, when we pray to you, may we allow our fears and frustrations to honestly express themselves. May we take your courage for our joy and strength today. Through your courageous Son. Amen.

—KEITH STOTTS

GOD BLESS YOUR VOWS

God bless you, Bride, and bless you, Groom.
On this, your wedding day.
And bless you always in your love
And every other way.

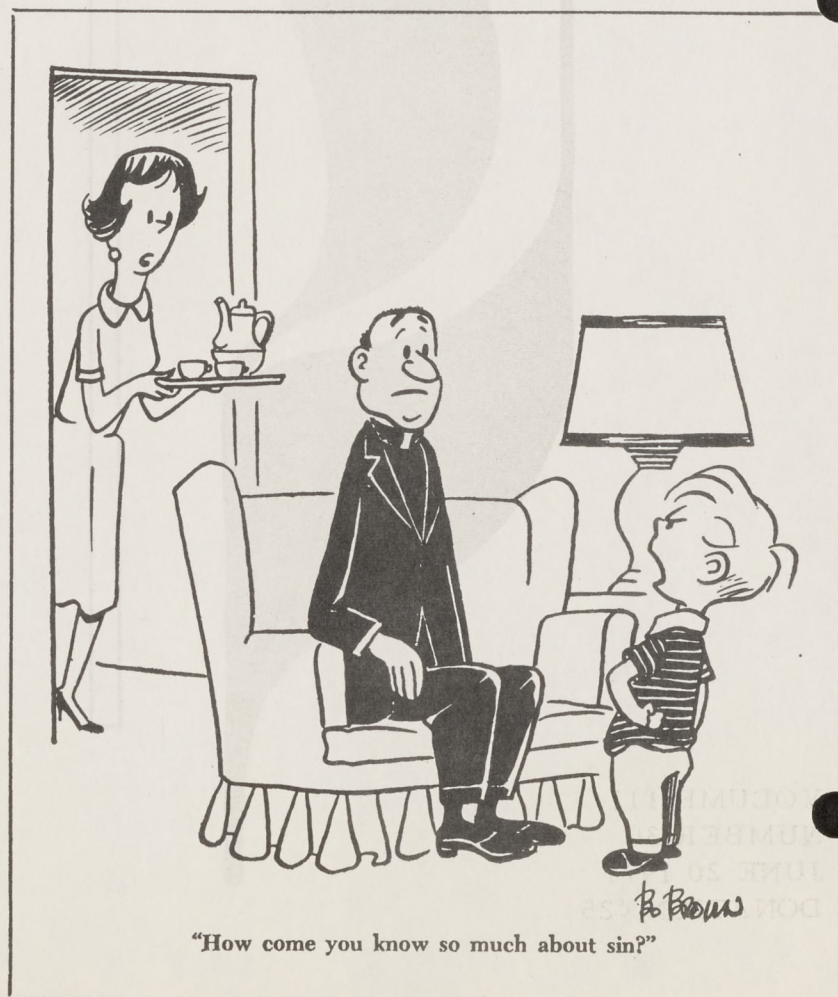
In perfect health and sickness,
And in wealth or poverty,
As much as you have made your vows
For all eternity.

Now give yourself to her,
And you give yourself to him,
And do not fail or ever let
Your lamp of faith grow dim.

Believe in him, believe in her
With all your loving heart,
And let no jealousy prevail
To tear your lives apart.

And may the blessing that is God's
Bestow its grace on you
To sanctify your vows and keep
Your love forever true.

— James J. Metcalf



SUNDAY SERVICES

This morning we got to church later than usual and had to sit in the smaller auditorium which was an interesting experience. There were many new people among us who probably were unsure of what time services start, and a number of busy old-time members who couldn't get there any sooner. If your hearing is sensitive, you may prefer this section as the volume from speakers is softer. Deputy Deacon Shawn Farrell opened services reading from "The Prophet" on prayer. Asst. Pastor John Hose welcomed us, quoting a noted theologian who wrote of oppressed groups who "...on gaining a social victory...became victims of the same arrogance."

Rev. Lou Loynes then said "There are times when we must do things that we are afraid to do." He then read from the Courage of the Faithful which I particularly like.

Rev. Ploen led us in the silent and pastoral prayer. During the silent prayer an unusually beautiful duet was softly sung by Ron Price and Walter Craig. Rev. Ploen's prayer asked "...if any have been bruised by the forces that seek degradation of the human spirit, comfort them and restore them. We fear not, for your comfort and love surrounds us. To everyone here, may they hear the message that's needed."

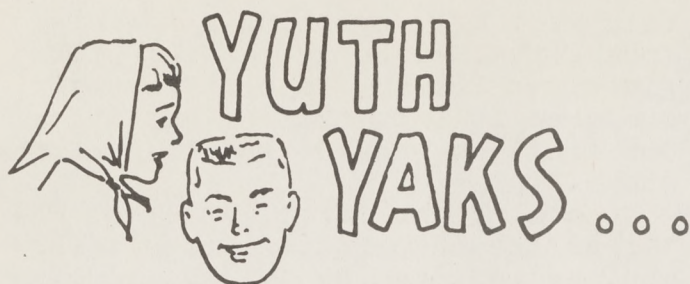
Rev. Perry then made some announcements, introduced Paul and Duane from San Diego and two young men from Springfield, Ohio, who are here for the summer. Bob Ennis and Morris Kight were both there today. Al Ojeda and two other youth group members then presented our Pastor with a check for \$100 raised by the dance they had Saturday, unfurling a banner reading "Let Freedom Ring". The Choir then backed up Mr. Craig in a Catholic hymn sung in Latin which was dedicated to our guest of Honor, Father Robert Clement, Pastor of the Church of the Beloved Disciple in New York City.

Father Clement who was visiting us with John, his lover of 12 years then addressed us. When our Pastor visited New York he was invited to address Pastor Clement's congregation; as Rev. Perry rose to speak, the Church burglar alarm unexplain-

edly went off, creating a tremendous din. That being the reception given our Pastor, Father Clement wondered if (now that he was under our roof) he should expect an earthquake."

Choosing the first letter of Peter as the inspiration for his sermon, he welcomed us in love, urging that we be of one mind living like brothers with true love and sympathy for one another, generous and courteous at all times. Although his own services are conducted along Roman Catholic lines he said that, in essence, Metropolitan Community Church was "...our Mother Church, too. The time for change had come in New York and MCC was our example. You led the way to show us the Beauty of God's goodness to gay people." He told us their services were at 2 PM (which is 11 AM Los Angeles time). They have 200 in attendance each week and are growing steadily. His sermons are related to our respect and dignity for one another. About half the congregation is Catholic, about forty percent protestant, and about 10 percent are Jewish. Pastor Clement said that "...somehow, we found in becoming liberated, that the gay churches have something to tell the world." He then went on to describe the overwhelming outpouring of love at services. He told stories of his members who said they had been turned away from their own churches as "...a son of Satan" for their confession. "Yet we love one another so deeply that our differences and backgrounds fall away." He then said that "Gay Churches may well be the keystone that will be the salvation of Christianity, teaching us to love ourselves completely, then to love our neighbor. Only then can you learn the love of God." He described the 'Kiss of Peace' which they practice in his church, as an acknowledgement in God of our affection for each other. Summing up his sermon, Father Clement said: "God has caused this miracle of MCC and love has overcome the world!"

The Crescendos then sang, I should have been more attentive, but I was still lost in the essence of Father Clement's beautiful message.



FEELIN' ALRIGHT

Well, Metropolitan Community Church's Youth Group, the Kool-Aids has done it again, with another successful activity. Without any doubt or question in mind, I can say that our last dance, June 12th, was the most successful we've ever had. I would just like to state some of the factors that contributed to this success. 1) It was a kick-off for our March on Sacramento that's fast approaching. 2) Our Youth Dance ticket sale. 3) And everybody who attended wanted to have some fun, I think.

Our box-auction Dinner was a real smash, those of you who missed it, missed a lot of fun. Last I heard we made something like \$35.00, Thanks alot folks.

Some of you folks asked me why there was no "youth yak" article last week, well, it's a long story. First of all, I had a job at one of "our" local establishments as a dish washer. Lillian's, off Fountain and LaBrea, if you can drop by and patronize our "sisters", it's a "P-elegant" place, even though I didn't work out on the job. Well, I just couldn't find the time to write any thing. Well, I'm back full time at MCC. Besides, money ain't everything. I like working at the church better anyway, I feel like I'm doing something more helpful and constructive here.

Oh, yes, there was a lot of you folks out there who bought tickets and didn't show up, and those who bought them and knew all along you wouldn't be able to make it, and some of you bought them and told us kids to keep them and give them to someone who couldn't afford them, well, whatever your reason for buying the tickets, thanks an awful lot from myself and all the other members of the Youth Group for your financial and moral or should I say Christian support.

Now, one more thing. Some of you people think that we want just young folks. Well, just because it's a youth group dance don't stay away. We want you to come also, it only means that the dance is sponsored by the youth group. We welcome all who are young at heart. You dig? Don't forget we're the MCC of the future. We need your participation and help and support in all our activities that are open to you, if you don't happen, we don't happen.

Now we are on a membership campaign. Stick around, you might see some more good activities comin' down soon. They're still up in the air, right now. Our requirements are ages 13-20. We have meetings every 1st and 3rd Friday and Rap Sessions every 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. Both are here at the Church at 7:30 PM promptly. Well, until next week. That's enough for now, take it slow. Peace.

Ray Hicks,
Secretary MCC Y.G.

PRIDE

I may be "Campy"
I may be "Gay"
But I like it just that way.
Proud and haughty
My head held high
For I LOVE another guy.
I'm a homosexual
I must admit
And what's more I'm proud of it!
And I know, I can't permit
The thought that I am a misfit!
I refuse to stay in darkness
and grieve;
But in sunlight
I'll achieve
The right to love another man
And face the world
As best as best I can.
I can shout it over town
And no one can ever put me down!
And If I always live in faith
And walk with dignity
There is nothing anyone
Can do to injure me!

-Lyle Page

MARK
YOUR
CALENDAR!



CHRISTOPHER STREET WEST 1971

The Christopher Street West committee has been busily readying the things for our upcoming parade down Hollywood Blvd on Sunday, June 27th. There is so very much that has to be done, raising the rest of the money for our floats, Preparing the Float (Cleaning off all the old decorations and painting), then moving it. Because of its size, a special permit had to be obtained and an escort formed for moving it, then on the morning of the parade, the whole float has to be covered with flowers. Many bodies are needed to help in preparing the float for the parade. Anyone who is willing to help, see Spider or Loren from the Chancel Choir. They need help especially on Sunday morning.

A few of the things we need in particular are; two cars with 4-way blinkers as escort cars, motorcycles and riders, also for escort while moving the floats.

We also need people Friday night (15 people) for preparing flowers. Also needed are people that can help paint during the day, all this week.

We still need \$300.00 to finish preparing the floats for the parade. If you wish to donate money, see Spider.

This committee is working very hard to make MCC the shining star in the Christopher Street West Parade and the best parade in the country. So let's all get behind our committee and do our share, after all, it is your parade, so you should help.

See Spider or Loren to volunteer your time or money. WE NEED YOU!

The Editor

Happening Today!



"Wings Over Jordan" WOW!

Those of you who attended the wonderful service in song by the "Wings Over Jordan" Choir will certainly remember the solos ("Pray On" and "I Cried") by Juanita Manley. Well, she is also the Choir director of her Church, the "West Adams Foursquare Church" at 2614 S. La Brea, corner of Adams and La Brea.

Her Choir "The Evangelists" and Ethel Taylor Lucky (a renowned singer who has worked with the Tom Skinner Crusade and has made Missionary tours to Jamaica) will be in Recital on Sunday, June 20th, 1971 at 4:00 P.M. at her church.

Juanita wrote me a letter to invite all the members of MCC to be there and be blessed in song by talented and dedicated people. She said she enjoyed singing for us and thanks everyone for the grand reception.

Editor

SPEAKER REV. S. GOEKEE

The Rev. Steve Goekee is willing to appear as guest speaker for any group interested in having a lecture or discussion in the areas of psychic phenomena and spiritual awareness. He can be reached by telephone at 656-2871 or by mail at PO Box 1485, Hollywood, Ca., 90028.

-C. Shawn Farrell

Affects Others

When a person develops the habit of wasting time, he soon wastes a lot that doesn't belong to him.

LITURGICAL DRESS & SIGNIFICANCE OF THE LITURGICAL COLORS

Perhaps some of you have wondered about the different robes and accoutrements worn by the pastors of MCC, as well as those worn by visiting dignitaries.

For many years, the hierarchial churches (i.e., those having bishops) have advocated the ministerial collar with black suit for street wear, and black robes with white cottas (over-robes, usually shorter), and liturgical stoles. The non-succession Protestant churches, such as Reformed, Presbyterian, and most of the Evangelical groups preferred the Geneva gown, and no clerical collar --viz. Rev. Ploen and Rev. Hose. In addition to the stoles, ministers may at times wear their academic hoods; such as those worn on occasion by Rev. Ploen, whose degree is in Christian Education, or Rev. Hose, whose degree is in Theology. The front velvet portion shows the nature of the degree by its color, and the crossed colors in the back of the hood are the school colors of the institution conferring the degree.

The significance of the liturgical colors is as follows: PURPLE symbolizes the majesty of Christ in His humility. It is used for the penitential seasons of Advent and Lent.

WHITE is the color of light, signifying divinity, purity, and victory. It is used during Christmas-tide, on the first Sunday in Epiphany, and during Eastertide.

GREEN is the common color of nature in the freshness of bloom. It is used during the seasons of Epiphany and Kingdomtide.

RED symbolizes blood and spirit, and is used during the Pentecost season. BLACK is the color of darkness and symbolizes death. It is used on Good Friday, and may also be used in funeral services in the Church.

Altar color strips will also vary with the seasons in some churches.

However, be prepared to see your pastors in MCC, and in the fellow-

ship appear in a great variety of Ecclesiastical "drag" -- since we are ecumenical in spirit, and allow each to follow his own tradition.

The important thing to remember is that God looks at the "inner man" -- and not on the "outward appearance."

--Rev. John H. Hose

THE BLACK STOLE

Our Pastor wears a Black Stole in protest to the moral laws of the United States - and will continue to do so until these laws are changed.

SOUTH CENTRAL PARISH

The South Central Parish is getting active again. Come and see what its all about! Join us for a short meeting Sunday (today) June 20th right after church in the parlor. Don't forget those of you that live in this area including Huntington Park, South Gate, Vernon, Maywood, Commerce, Downey, Compton, Paramount, Bellflower, Norwalk, Santa Fe Springs, La Mirada, Lynwood, Bell Gardens, Bell and Cudahy, please come and meet your Parish reorganizer. Also any and all interested friends who would like to help get the area on the move for God, please be with us.

Yours in Christ,
Deputy Deacon Jim Mason

Paul Mariah, a victim of our primitive laws will be reading his own poetry on Tuesday evening, June 22, 1971 at 8 PM in Plummer Park in the Small Auditorium.

For further information, please call the Society of David at 389-2852. There is a donation of one dollar.

Gary Hundermark,
President of the
Society of David

Voices From on High

"TIMOTHY Adams, go home!" boomed a thundering voice from the heavens.

Timothy Adams, six, was a small figure on the ground, loitering on the way home from his Kansas City kindergarten. It was 5 p.m., and mother, worried, had called the police.

Two policemen cruising the area in a helicopter were alerted, and within minutes the boy was seen streaking for home. By 5:15 p.m., Mrs. Adams called the police again and reported the safe arrival of the six-year-old, who had run into the house wide eyed in excitement and announced "A big voice in the sky told me to come home." She told police she did nothing to clear up the matter for the boy.

SUSPENSE TAUT IN "ROPE"

In rehearsal, Gino Vezina limps to the mysterious trunk center stage hit it curiously with his walking stick and wonders "Who would invite his friends to eat off a trunk with a murdered body in it? Suspense builds.

It's a nasty night. The wind whips the rain. Limping Gino next quizzes the nervous butler, Herb Franklin, "Were you the cause of the hysterical noises when I telephone?"

The suspense is taut in "Rope". Don't miss the MCC Players on Friday and Saturday, July 9th & 10th in the Church at 8 PM. Tickets are \$3.00. Fifty tickets need to be sold immediately to finance materials to build a \$600.00 light board for the dramatic lighting effects. The board will then be available for future productions.

Don Showman

Tickets for "ROPE" the next production of the METROPOLITAN PLAYERS of MCC are now on sale. We are very anxious to make this play a huge success as the money acquired will be used to buy electrical equipment and a portable stage for our "LITTLE THEATRE".

It is essential that we raise \$150.00 immediately for the installation of a dimmer board and control panel.

Other monies will be used to buy essential materials that can be used at all times for special events of the CHURCH CALENDAR.

Dale Holland is head of ticket sales. See him or any member of the METROPOLITAN PLAYERS. Donation for the tickets is \$3.00. The play "ROPE" will be presented in our "LITTLE THEATER" Friday and Saturday, July 9th and 10th. Curtain time is 8:15.

When his new patient was settled comfortably on the couch, the psychiatrist began his therapy session. "I'm not aware of your problem," the doctor said, "so perhaps you should start at the beginning."

"All right," the man agreed. "In the beginning, I created the heavens and the earth."

INTRODUCING: THE LESBIAN EXPERIENCE

The June, 1971 Cosmopolitan magazine carries the above titled article. The author is 32, an admitted lesbian, apparently lives in or around New York City and is anonymous. This article is one of the best I have ever read.

From - "Long ago, Greek masons used something called "The Lesbian Rule" for measuring carved moldings, obviously named with the rounded female form in mind." to - "The final point about lesbian love is that everything is possible when people care and try. Lesbians believe more is possible for them with other women than with men. This doesn't make anybody right or wrong; it merely makes lesbians right for each other." And all in-between is well written, well thought out and, I believe, in full as it was originally written.

There are some introductory paragraphs and then the rest of the article is the answers to twelve questions. The article does not say whether the questions were given to the author or whether she picked them out herself. Some will probably criticize because they will say there are not enough questions. However, as well thought out these questions and answers are, I think that these twelve cover the subject fairly well.

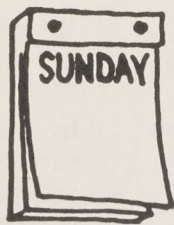
Her answer to "Are lesbians abnormal?" is one of the best I have ever read or heard. Actually she has several answers. One is to make "abnormal" mean "unusual". Another is the fact that we are a minority and as a minority, oppressed. "To be part of any oppressed subculture is to develop and live, yes, abnormally."

All in all, it is well worth the price of the whole magazine for this one article.

-Pat Rardin

IN KITCHENER, Ont., a policeman stopped a clergyman for speeding and explained that his car had been spotted by a police air patrol plane. The officer waved the minister on without a summons when he replied, "Well, I never question anything that comes from above."

-Kitchener Waterloo Times, 1971



Our Church Calendar

MONDAY, JUNE 24TH 7:00 PM SAMARITAN BIBLE SEMINARY

 7:30 PM GOSPEL CHOIR REHEARSAL (Church Bldg)

 7:30 PM METROPOLITAN PLAYERS REHEARSAL
 Church Parlor

TUESDAY, JUNE 22TH 7:30 PM METROPOLITAN PLAYERS REHEARSAL
 Home of Lyle Page, 886-7896

 8:00 PM VALLEY PARISH MEETING, Shawn & Kathy's
 Home, 7725 Laurel Canyon, # 12, North
 Hollywood, 875-0415 & 764-3709.
 Guest Speaker: Rev. Ron Hayes.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23RD 7:00 PM SAMARITAN BIBLE SEMINARY

 7:30 PM WEDNESDAY NIGHT PRAYER MEETING
 Main Sanctuary

 7:30 PM METROPOLITAN PLAYERS REHEARSAL
 Church Social Hall

 8:00 PM LONG BEACH PARISH BIBLE STUDY
 1275 Ocean Blvd, # 4, Long Beach
 432-4295

THURSDAY, JUNE 24TH 7:00 PM MOTORCYCLE CLUB OF CALIFORNIA
 In Church Parlor

 7:00 PM CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSAL

 8:30 PM ALCOHOLICS TOGETHER MEETING
 Church Social Hall

 8:00 PM BUS LEAVES FOR SACRAMENTO
 From the Church

FRIDAY, JUNE 25TH 10:00 AM MARCHERS MEET AT O'NEIL FIELD AT
 BROADWAY AND 6TH ST. IN SACRAMENTO.

 7:00 PM SAMARITAN BIBLE SEMINARY

 7:30 PM YOUTH GROUP MEETING (THE KOOL-AIDS)

SATURDAY, JUNE 26TH 10:00 AM CHURCH CLEANING

SUNDAY, JUNE 27TH

9:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

9:30 AM THE ACADEMY

9:30 AM BIBLE CLASS, MEN & WOMEN

10:30 AM SINGSPIRATION

10:30 AM CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSAL

10:45 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL (Seminary Class Room)
Teacher: Steve Jordan

11:00 AM SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

2:00 PM METROPOLITAN PLAYERS REHEARSAL
Church Parlor

6:00 PM MARCHERS ASSEMBLY AND FORMATION

7:00 PM CHRISTOPHER STREET WEST PARADE
HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA
Highland and Hollywood Blvds.

9:00 PM AFTER PARADE DANCE CELEBRATION
RODGER YOUNG AUDITORIUM
936 W. Washington Blvd, L.A.
Sponsored by Christopher Street West
Committee





FROM THE PASTOR'S OFFICE

by Kevin McCain

As most of you already know, Rev. Perry left for San Francisco on Friday. He participated in a massive rally yesterday in Union Square and this morning he left Lake Merritt in Oakland enroute to Sacramento by foot. With him on the "Long March" will be his better half Steve

Jordan, Tom Purcell, David McCay, Lee Spangenberg, Patti Moffitt, Willie Smith, Bill Thorne, Bill White, and Jimmy Wilson, -- all from MCC-LA. In addition they will be joined by members from all of our other California Churches along with the other interested persons.

They will arrive in Sacramento this Friday, where they'll be joined by approximately 10,000 individuals at O'Neil Field, located at Broadway and 6th Streets.

Rev. John Hose will lead a bus from the Church this Thursday night. The bus fare is only \$13.50, round trip. Any persons interested in going with us by bus should contact me as soon as possible at the Church Office. Everyone should be here at 8:00 PM sharp -- and should plan on sleeping on the bus that night. We will leave from Sacramento for the return trip to L.A. on Friday afternoon after the demonstration on the steps of the Capitol building.

Assemblyman John Burton of San Francisco will meet and address us there.

Before closing, if you have signed up for the bus, but have not paid for it yet, please contact me at the Church Office as soon as possible.

Kevin McCain

DOSE IT WELL

The fellow who makes the same mistake over and over and over again, at least has learned to do one thing well.



WE CARE

The disease of Alcoholism effects many members of the community in which we live. No one knows the exact number, but we do know that thousands of homosexuals do not seek treatment, because they just simply do not know where to get the help they need or that help is even available to them.

Alcoholics can be helped and help is available. Alcoholics Together groups were formed to help alcoholic homosexuals. Every one of us who are gay knows at least a dozen alcoholics who need help, but don't know where to find it. Like little bo-peep's sheep, they are lost.

Self approval is a comforting feeling. A lot of the time it comes from being compacent and reluctant to involve ourselves. None of us stands alone in serving God. As we live our lives, we all face crises and trouble at the most unexpected times, when nothing we can do will rid us of the hurt we feel. We are a family. To the degree that one of us suffers, all of us suffer.

Possibly no one among us suffers more than the alcoholic homosexual who gives up family or friends and turns to the use of alcohol or drugs to ease the torment of daily living. If you care enough to give the very best, give the helping hand of friendship. Stand ready to help where you can. Find out about Alcoholics Together, so you can recommend the fellowship to anyone you know with this problem.

Alcoholics Together meets Thursday evenings at 8:30 in the Social Hall of the MCC Church. The address is 2201 South Union Avenue. Reward yourself with a visit to one of our meetings. You will sleep better if you know where you can get help for your alcoholic friends. As recovered alcoholics, we will be able to answer any questions you may have. We care enough to give the very best.

Jim Oswald

Number 6

HORIZONTAL

No. 6

A MEMORY ON FATHER'S DAY

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| 1 A far country, in Bible times | 35 City where Christ fed the five thousand |
| 5 Jonah, sent here, went to Tarshish | 37 God |
| Donated. (Eph. 4 : 8) | 39 Sunday school |
| Inherent | 40 Exchange for money |
| 15 Fifth month of the sacred Jewish year; | 42 Animals used for sacrifice |
| time of ripe figs | 44 Fluid anointing. (Ps. 92 : 10) |
| 17 Designating certain tides | 46 Arrange in a compact mass |
| 19 Middle western state | 48 Pronoun |
| 20 The heart (Egyptian myth) | 49 High priest; father-in-law to Caiaphas |
| 21 Boy, one who mocked Elisha. (II Ki. | 51 Tree, from the wood of which idols |
| 2 : 23) | were made. (Isa. 44 : 14) |
| 23 God created them on the fourth day | 52 A hundred |
| 25 Emperor of Rome (117-138) | 53 Unit of weight |
| 26 Unit of long measure | 54 He sold his birthright |
| 28 Cunning | 56 Tantalum |
| 29 Place from which Zaccheus saw Jesus. | 57 Paradise |
| (Luke 19 : 4) | 60 City where Esther became queen |
| 30 Singing bird; found in great numbers in | 62 Birds |
| Palestine | 63 Depart |
| 32 One hundred, one | |
| 33 Direction | |

Love, which you have willed me,
Is the heritage I keep
Faith, which once so filled me,
Keeps me going while you sleep.

Gone, but not forgotten,
You have passed on to the grave.
Here, I stay unbidden,
Trying hard to bear up brave.

Once, as youth rebelling,
I had thought that you were wrong.
Grown, with loss compelling,
Now I know your love was strong.

VERTICAL

No. 6

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| 1 Country visited by Paul | 31 Knight of the Tower and Sword |
| 2 Thanks to God | 32 The father of Saul. (Acts 13 : 21) |
| 3 Gaelic form of John | 34 A city famous for its palms. The name |
| 4 Ave Marias | signifies "a fragrant place" |
| 6 Preposition | 36 High |
| 7 Water nymph | 38 Last. (Prov. 19 : 20) |
| 8 Greek letter | 41 Parted with. (Luke 19 : 10) |
| 9 Six | 43 Manuscript |
| 10 Avoids by dexterity | 44 Preposition |
| 11 Israelites | 45 Girl |
| 13 Corrodes | 47 Monster of the deep |
| 16 Monument of idolatry | 49 Father of Obadiah. (I Chron. 8 : 38) |
| 18 The Holy Land | 50 The first king of Israel |
| 22 Color—dull brownish yellow | 53 Combining form meaning "egg" |
| 24 Tracks | 55 Employ. (Matt. 6 : 7) |
| 25 City in Moab—where Joshua fought | 58 Place near Bethel where the Israelites |
| 27 Habit | were smitten |
| Rising and falling of the surface of the | 59 Beautiful section of our country |
| ocean | 61 Rough lava |

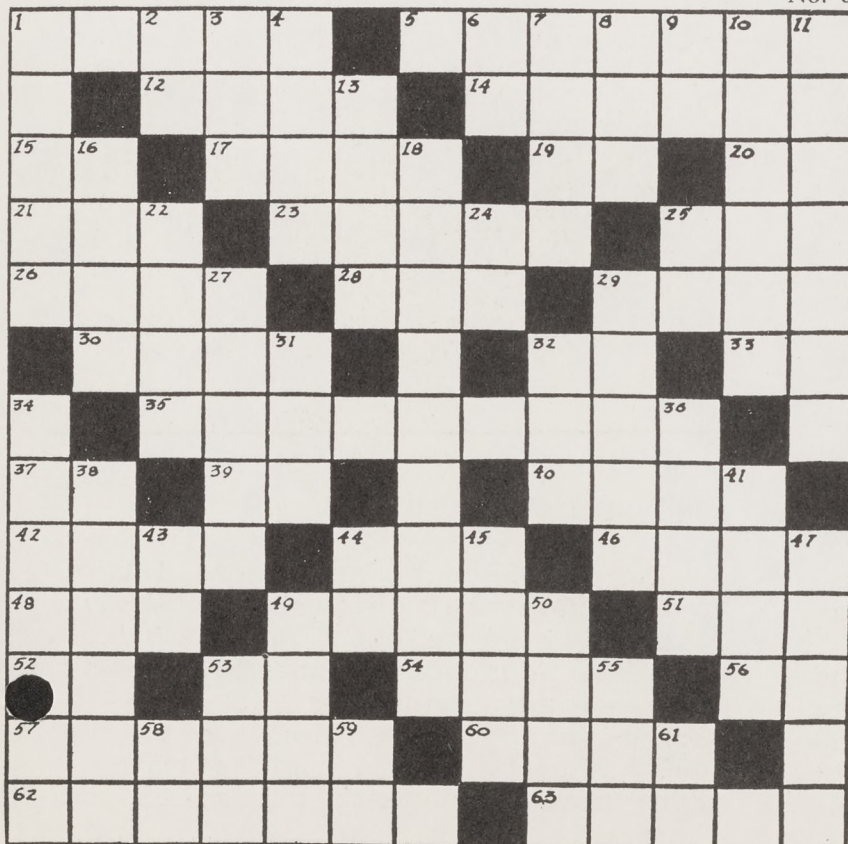
Wise, you let me spurn home,
For the road I chose to trod.
Then, when I returned home,
Welcomed me with word of God.

Christ, whose light you kindled
In a hungry, weary soul,
Takes your flame now dwindled;
Writes your name on Heaven's scroll.

Love, which you have willed me,
Is the heritage I keep.
Faith, which once so filled me,
Keeps me going while you sleep.

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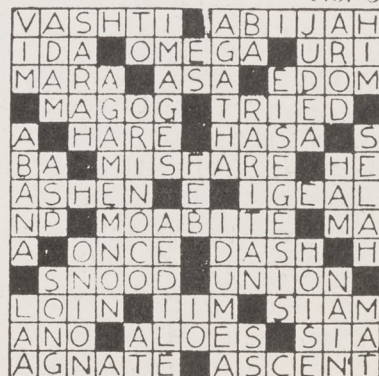
- Bob Darst



MEN'S AND WOMEN'S BIBLE CLASS

Interested in studying the Bible?
A new class will be started on Sun-
day mornings at 9:30 A.M. at the
Church. It will be for interested
students. Contact Joseph Smith if
you would like to join.

No. 5



MADISON, Wis.--What is probably USA's most liberal sex law reform legislation has been introduced in the Wisconsin Assembly by Rep. L. Barbee, a Democrat from Milwaukee.

This bill will sweep away all penalties for any kind of consensual sexual conduct between persons 14 & up. It would eliminate sexual solicitation as a crime and legalize "free'lance" prostitution, though not whorehouses. It would also wipe out the state's obscenity laws.

"Roughly what the bill does," Barbee explained, "is to repeal the present section of the Wis. statutes that's subtitled 'Offenses Against Morality,' which really means our whole sex code. It gets the government's nose out of the bedroom."

The Bill, AB 600, was introduced Mar. 30 and referred to the Assembly Judiciary Committee.

The Milwaukee assemblyman has tried before to get the state to liberalize its sex laws, using 18 as the age of consent. In explaining why he chose to lower the age to 14 in the current bill, he pointed out that "sexual drive is not limited to age or to marriage. It starts at puberty, which for most people is around 12 to 14. At 18, which is the earlier age I used, most people are already quite mature as to drives...That's too high. Anyone 14 years or older can consent to sexual acts."

Barbee made plain that a major purpose of his bill is to end police harassment of homosexuals, and one of the reasons for lowering the age of consent was to ease matters for young gays.

If Wisconsin and other states can do it, why can't we? Idaho and Illinois have done it. Colorado, very soon with Oregon and Hawaii close behind. Let's get behind OUR march on Sacramento and join us for our Christopher Street West Parade and show the world that we are not any longer going to be considered second class citizens. WE DEMAND OUR RIGHTS!

If you are afraid to show your face, then wear a mask. If you can't do that, you deserve to stay in your

closets. The police will continue to harass you and our brothers and sisters. Your family might love you all the better for being yourself and proud of yourself. Remember the great artists of the past. But only those with guts deserve the credit for getting out there, out of your closets and hidden personalities and into the beautiful world that it can be! God loves us too, and his making Metropolitan Community Fellowship proves it.

OUT OF THE SHADOWES

We're out of the shadows, Darling,
Out for the world to see.
We're out in the sunlight, Darling,
Where I can share my love with thee.

No longer to hide in the darkness
Ashamed for the world to know
How much I care for you, Darling,
How much I love you so.

Now we can go through life together,
Standing side by side,
Proud that we love each other,
Knowing we have nothing to hide.

Take my hand, my Darling,
I give myself to you
For I will love you always,
To you I will be true.

We're out of the shadows, Darling,
Where we homosexuals can
Love each other, Darling,
As only a man can love a man.

But out of the shadows - FOREVER....

-Lyle Page

LONG BEACH PARISH

The Long Beach Parish would like to announce that their Bible Study Class will be held at Steve's house. at 8 PM, Wednesday, June 23. Last week we had a barbeque and horseback ride for our social event. We would like to invite people from everywhere to come to our meetings.

THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF WHAT IS HAPPENING AROUND THE WORLD DURING
GAY PRIDE WEEK.

INTERNATIONAL:

PARIS - LONDON - STOCKHOLM

Contact: G.L.F.
5 Caledonian Rd., No. 1,
London, England

UNITED STATES:

BOSTON - Gay Pride Week workshops: June 26
march against symbols of oppression --- State
House, Park Street Church, Gay Bar, Police
Station, & Dance.

BRIDGEPORT - Gay Pride Week theme --- Gay
Action for Constitutional Equality: March
June 20 from Seaside Park to Federal Bldg.
Contact: KALOS-Gay Liberation
786 Grand St.
Bridgeport, Connecticut

NEW YORK - Gay Pride Week opens with 3-day
24 hour a day celebration of opening of
Gay Activist Alliance's four-story Fire-
house on Wooster St., June 18, 19, & 20,
continuous plays, cabaret, raps.

June 23, Demonstration at Y.M.C.A. against
policies toward Gays. Westside Discussion
Group (300 9th St.) raps starting 8P.M.
June 26, Street Fair on Wooster St. near
Prince and Spring starting 1P.M. Booths
arts, food, etc. Dance, location to be
announced. June 27, PARADE: Mobilize at
Christopher St., proceed up Sixth Ave. to
Sheep Meadow at Central Park for Gay-In.
Contact: Christopher St. Liberation Day
Committee, 247 W. 10th St.
New York, New York 10014

SEATTLE - Tri-Cities celebration --- Van-
couver, Seattle & Portland.
Contact: G.L.F.
615 Boren #32
Seattle, Washington 98104

DALLAS - Gay Pride Week, June 20th to 26th.
American Library Association, Gay Liberat-
ion Task Force: raps, speakers, activities,
DANCE.

CHICAGO - Gay Pride Week activities. June
27, PARADE through Gay Ghetto to Lincoln
Park for Gay-In.

LAS VEGAS - Car & Bus caravan to L.A.

PHOENIX - Plans tentative.
Contact: Gay Liberation Arizona Desert
1842 12th St.
Phoenix, Arizona

SACRAMENTO - Rally on steps of Capitol
June 25th 10A.M.

SAN JOSE - June 26, rally at St. James
Park, 9A.M., march through downtown
(on sidewalks) to William Street Park
for Gay-In.
Contact: G.L.F.
P.O. Box 4087
San Jose, Ca. 95126

SAN FRANCISCO - June 25th, German dinner
at Emmaus House. Midnight: embus for
Los Angeles to attend Men's conference
& Women's conference and PARADE.
Contact: Emmaus House
1488 Vallejo
San Francisco, Ca. 94109

LOS ANGELES - One Inc., art show, starting
June 19 at 2256 Venice Blvd. Gay Fellow-
ship, Gay Happening, June 20, Griffith Park,
Merry-go-round area, 10A.M. - all day.
The Gay Women's West Coast Conference,
June 25, 26, at Metropolitan Community
Church, 2201 S. Union St. L.A. 90007
The Gay Conspiracy, men's confreence,
register at 4400 Melrose, June 25, 26 & 27.
THE PARADE - June 27th, mobilize at
McCadden Pl. & Hollywood Blvd. at 6P.M.
March at 7P.M.

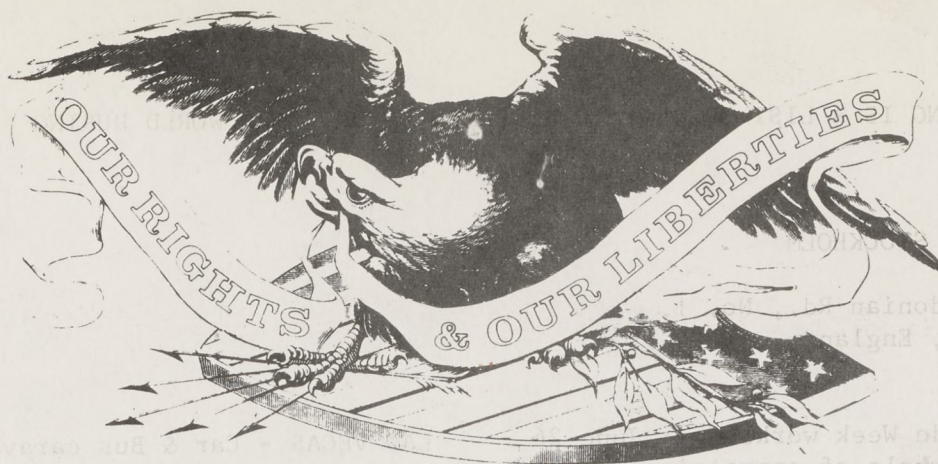
THE DANCE - Rodger Young Center
936 W. Washington Blvd.
L.A. Ca.
at 9P.M. after THE PARADE
Contact: Christopher Street West
P.O. Box 17669
L.A. Ca. 90017

Phone: 484-1094

WOMEN!

MEN!

BE THERE!



SHOW

YOUR

COLORS!

... CITIZENS OF CALIFORNIA ...

THE SEXUAL REVOLUTION HAS BEGUN!

Massive Rally

FRIDAY · JUNE 25 · NOON

AT THE STATE CAPITOL IN SACRAMENTO



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